

April 11th, 2023



Brothers of the Phin

Hoping this email finds you all in great spirits and good health. It is official now that our 62nd Reunion will be held in Groton Connecticut and will be June 12th through the 16th. The Hotel we will be at is the **Baymont by Wyndham 360 CT-12, Groton, CT 06340**, and the rates are \$104 per night. We have a block of rooms (25) set aside for us. Reservation may be made by calling **1 (860) 445-8000**. PLEASE NOTE the room rates are good from Sunday June 11th until Sunday June 17.

Mentioning you'd like to reserve as part of the USS Scamp Reunion room block for Monday, June 12, 2023, for 4 nights, and would guarantee and pay with their own credit card. The rates are a substantial discount off typical rates for this week; \$104.00 per room for single or double occupancy, plus 15% CT hotel tax. More than 2 occupants in a room would be \$15.00 extra per guest. I have allocated 14 Rooms with Two Queen Beds, 11 Standard King rooms. If you need more, let me know. This block of rooms is available to book up to 30 DAYS prior to June 12.

Your Committee and I are still hard at work getting the final details set. We are very interested in your input as to things to do and what you would like to see. Please feel free to respond with any ideas and if you would like to get involved.

We will be having an arrival WELCOME ABOARD celebration on Monday from 1200 to 1600. FREE pizza, wings and salad throughout the afternoon. All are welcome and when you register you will receive a gift and all your tickets. We also suggest that you see the Cribbage Chairman and the Acey/Ducey Chairman to get your name entered and schedule your games. The cribbage tournament (\$10 entry fee) and an ACEY DEUCEY tournament (\$10 entry fee). We will also be having the Silent Auction (if you wish to donate something please contact Rick Lannen at scampshipmate.588@gmail.com.

Tuesday, we have scheduled a bus trip and tour of Fort Trumbull and Fort Grisswald. Tuesday night CAPTAINS BUFFET DINNER to Honor SCAMPS 10 Skippers at the hotel.

Wednesday we will tour the Submarine Museum and Groton Subbase. Wednesday night we will have a REMEMBRENCE DINNER for our shipmates on eternal patrol. After dinner we will ask if anyone would like to remember a shipmate who has passed with a viewing of the Entire List.

Thursday is the BIG day. The bus trip to Mystic Seaport will be a lovely day in Mystic. When we return, we will get a group photo and then assemble in the main dining hall to a sit-down dinner, crowning the Cribbage and Acey/Ducey Champions and then conduct our business meeting and wrapping up the SILENT AUCTION and Live Auction with some Special items donated.

Friday morning, we will HONOR OUR PLANKOWNERS and Decommissioning Crew with a Sunrise Breakfast Plank Owners and Decommissioning Crew eat for free.

There is a registration fee of \$60 per person, a slight increase over the last reunion due to increased food costs. This will cover the hospitality room, welcome gift, and arrival package. As Tony Armagno (treasurer) and Rick Lannen (Secretary) and myself continue to iron out more details we will keep everyone informed of progress. We will be sending out signup sheets and an agenda to allow you to plan your week.

Also, we will once again have the Hospitality Room available with all the drinks and snacks that we are accustomed to, with a few surprises. Thanks to Dean Casentino for Hosting the room and getting everything ready. Rod Stark has also been arranging a guest speaker and providing all videos and photos for this event.



Facebook groups are Scamp Alumni and USS Scamp (588) WEB SITE https://uss-scamp.net/

Please know we have established a Gmail account <u>Scampshipmates.588@gmail</u>. com. We are currently loading all emails we have, and this will be easy to transfer in the future.

Special Thanks to Rich Erler for developing the patch to commemorate this event.

The following is a list of personnel that have indicated to me through email that they will be attending.

Anthony Armagno, Robert Brand, Vince R Britton, Harry Brown, Eli Castillo, Ronald Charest, Bob Christina, John Collis, Dean Cosentino, William Travis Crutchfield, David Erhart, David Fischer, Larry Hunter, Ron Jarrett, Ray Keele, Gary Kingston, Michael Kirk, Richard Lannen, Peter Limon, Roger Maxson, Robert McNeil, Ed Morgan, Greg Mowbray, John Nesselbush, Harold Patton, Leonard W Robbins, Harvey Edward Sellers, Jr., Rod Stark, William Stover, Larry Timonen, James Tucker, Ronald E Wheeldon, Jimmy Wilson, Gregory Williams